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Abstract:

5 The invention relates to a process for producing granular, particularly spherical
activated carbon by carbonization of suitable carbonaceous polymers in the form
of polymer granules, in particular polymer spherules, as a starting material,
which are convertible by carbonization into carbon at least essentially, wherein
the polymer granules, in particular the polymer spherules, are continuously
moved through a carbonization apparatus comprising a plurality of temperature
zones and/or a temperature gradient so that an at least essentially complete con-
10 version of the starting material to carbon is effected.